



TO: Tennessee Public Charter School Commission

FROM: Tess Stovall, Executive Director, Tennessee Public Charter School Commission

DATE: January 27, 2022

SUBJECT: Executive Director Updates

Staffing

- Since the October 2021 meeting, we have hired the following individuals:
 - Deputy Director of Authorizing: Maggie Lund
 - Special Populations Coordinator: Reggie Epps
- Looking in 2022, the Commission is seeking to build internal capacity within the district operations team and is hiring for a reporting and operations coordinator.
- After this role is filled, the Commission will have two remaining positions to utilize as our work grows and capacity is needed.

Charter Agreement Amendments

- One authorized charter school, Nashville Collegiate Prep, submitted an emergency application to amend their charter agreement to expand from a K-8 to a K-12 and to increase their enrollment capacity.
- The Commission is required to review and act on any amendment petition within 60 calendar days of receipt of the petition, and that deadline is February 18, 2022.
- The Commission has a special-called meeting on February 14, 2022 to act on this petition.

Charter School Appeals

- Revocation Appeals
 - The Commission has received notices of appeal from the governing board of Memphis Academy of Health Sciences Middle School and High School. The schools are appealing the revocation decisions by Shelby County Schools, and the Commission will have 60 calendar days from receipt of the notices to act on the appeals.
- Renewal Appeal
 - The Commission has received a notice of appeal from the governing board of Knowledge Academy. The school is appealing the non-renewal decision by Metro Nashville Public Schools, and the Commission will have 60 calendar days from receipt of the notice to act on the appeal.

2022 Legislative Session

- The Commission is scheduled to present its FY23 budget to the Senate Education Committee on February 9, 2022 and to the House Finance, Ways and Means Committee on March 8, 2022.
- The Commission staff meets weekly to review bills that have been filed and to determine potential impacts on the Commission.



- Chase Ingle, Director of External Affairs, will update the Commission regularly on the latest information from the General Assembly.